

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE,
AND LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS WITH PROPER IDENTIFIERS**

1. (Currently amended) A spring element, ~~in particular a spring rail for wipers,~~
made from a ferritic chromium steel, comprising, by weight percent,
0.03 to 0.12% of carbon
0.2 to 0.9% of silicon
0.3 to 1% of manganese
13 to 20% of chromium
less than 0.5% of nickel
0.1 to ~~[[2]]~~ less than 0.5% of molybdenum
0.05 to 1.0% of copper
0.02 to 0.5% of nitrogen
less than 0.01% of titanium
0.01 to 0.10% of niobium
~~[[0.02]]~~ greater than 0.15 to 0.25% of vanadium, remainder iron.
2. (Currently amended) The spring element of claim 1, wherein the steel contains,
by weight percent, at most 0.1% of carbon, ~~at most 1.5% of molybdenum,~~ 0.1 to
0.5% of copper and at least 0.03% of nitrogen.
3. (Currently amended) The spring element of claim 1, comprising, by weight
percent, a carbon content of from 0.06 to 0.1%, and a chromium content of from
15 to 18% ~~and a molybdenum content of from 0.8 to 1.5%.~~
4. (Previously presented) The spring element of claim 1, comprising a coercive
force ranging from 190 to 320 A/cm and a magnetic saturation ranging from
1.45 to 1.75 T.

5. (Previously presented) The spring element of claim 1, comprising a thermosetting powder coating.
6. (Previously presented) The spring element of claim 5, comprising a layer thickness ranging from 0.05 to 0.15 mm.
7. (Previously presented) The spring element of claim 1, comprising a damping performance which is adjustable by solution annealing for 0.5 to 60 min at a temperature of 900 to 1100°C.
8. (Previously presented) The spring element of claim 7, wherein the damping performance is adjustable by cold-forming with a degree of deformation of over 65%.
9. (Previously presented) The spring element of claim 8, comprising a magnetic hardness which is adjustable by tempering after the cold-forming for 0.1 to 1 min at a tempering temperature of 200 to 380°C.
10. (Previously presented) The spring element of claim 9, comprising a coating of a hardening temperature which is in the range of the tempering temperature.
11. (New) The spring element of claim 1 in the form of a spring rail for wipers.